

**State of Connecticut  
Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry**

**Notice of Declaratory Ruling Proceeding**

The Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry ("Board") hereby gives notice of its intention to issue a declaratory ruling pursuant to Conn. Gen. Stat. §4-176 on the following issue:

Whether a podiatrist, licensed in the State of Connecticut, can monitor and treat foot and ankle disorders using hyperbaric oxygen therapy in a wound care setting provided the podiatrist has successfully completed hyperbaric oxygen education.

**Procedure:** The Board has prepared this notice in accordance with the Uniform Administrative Procedure Act ("UAPA"), Connecticut General Statute §4-166 *et seq.*, and specifically Conn. Gen. Stat. §4-176.

All persons seeking status to participate must petition the Board by Friday, July 11, 2008. All requests seeking status to participate in this matter shall be submitted in writing in accordance with § 4-176(d) of the Connecticut General Statutes and §19a-2-26 through §19a-9-28 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies.

All filings to be submitted to the Board shall be sent to the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue MS#13PHO, P.O. Box 340308, Hartford, Connecticut, 06134-0308. All filings must be copied to the list of persons or entities printed at the end of this notice, and all filings must contain a certification indicating that copies were mailed to all persons/entities on the list.

It is anticipated that the Board will rule on petitions for status by July 25, 2008. Participants will be asked to prefile their testimony by August 15, 2008. Participants will be allowed to prefile any rebuttal testimony by September 1, 2008.

The Board will hold a hearing on **Wednesday, September 10, 2008**, at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut in Conference Room F, second floor, commencing at 10:00 a.m.

At the hearing, participants will be required to adopt their testimony under oath and be subject to questioning by the Board and participants as designated by the Board.

The Board will not consider the prefiled testimony of any person or entity given status unless such testimony is adopted under oath at the hearing on September 10, 2008 or on any other date designated as a hearing date in this matter.

By law, a declaratory ruling constitutes a statement of agency law which may also be utilized by the Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry, on a case by case basis, in future proceedings before it.

June 4, 2008

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Chairman  
Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry